

Sumter County Career Center

2612 McCray's Mill Road

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Grades 9–12 Career Center

Enrollment 531 Students

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The State of South Carolina

Annual School
Report Card

2005

ABSOLUTE RATING

GOOD

Absolute Ratings of Career Centers

Excellent	Good	Average	Below Average	Unsatisfactory
24	10	3	0	1

IMPROVEMENT RATING

UNSATISFACTORY

ADEQUATE YEARLY PROGRESS

YES

Definition: As required by the United States Department of Education, Adequate Yearly Progress specifies that the state rating for career and technology centers must be Excellent, Good, Above Average, Average or Below Average.

SOUTH CAROLINA PERFORMANCE GOAL

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

PERFORMANCE TRENDS OVER 4-YEAR PERIOD

	Absolute Rating	Improvement Rating	Adequate Yearly Progress
2002	Excellent	Excellent	N/A
2003	Good	Unsatisfactory	Yes
2004	Excellent	Excellent	Yes
2005	Good	Unsatisfactory	Yes

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

- **Excellent** – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- **Good** – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- **Average** – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- **Below Average** – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal
- **Unsatisfactory** – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal

PERFORMANCE BY STUDENT GROUPS

	Mastering Core Competencies			Receiving Diplomas			Place in Field		
	This Center		State Center Average%	This Center		State Center Average%	This Center		State Center Average%
	n	%		n	%		n	%	
All Students	337	82.5%	81.1%	123	86.2%	92.4%	303	94.4%	97.6%
Students with disabilities on diploma track	34	47.1%	73.2%	14	21.4%	75.6%	4	I/S	98.5%
Gender									
Male	210	79.5%	77.7%	66	84.8%	90.9%	136	94.4%	98.6%
Female	127	87.4%	85.2%	57	87.7%	93.3%	150	94.3%	96.5%
Racial/Ethnic Group									
White	93	85.0%	89.0%	36	91.7%	95.4%	106	96.4%	98.5%
African American	242	81.8%	73.6%	87	83.9%	86.8%	175	93.1%	96.1%
Asian/Pacific Islander	0	N/A	89.1%	0	N/A	85.1%	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Hispanic	0	N/A	81.7%	0	N/A	91.3%	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
American Indian/Alaskan	2	I/S	76.3%	0	N/A	81.3%	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Migrant Status									
Migrant									
Non-migrant									
English Proficiency									
Limited English Proficient	0	N/A	74.6%	0	N/A	86.1%	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Non-Limited English Proficient	337	82.5%	81.2%	123	86.2%	92.4%	N/AV	N/AV	N/AV
Socio-Economic Status									
Subsidized meals	225	80.4%	75.1%	80	83.8%	87.8%	95	94.1%	96.5%
Full-pay meals	112	86.6%	85.9%	43	90.7%	94.6%	191	94.6%	98.0%

n = number of students on which percentage is calculated

DEFINITIONS OF PERFORMANCE RATING TERMS

- **Mastering Core Competencies**—The percentage of students enrolled in career and technology courses at the center who earn a 2.0 or above on the final course grade.
- **Graduation Rate**—The percentage of 12th grade career and technology students who graduate in the spring.
- **Placement Rate**—The percentage of career and technology completers available for placement over a 3-year period who are actually placed in postsecondary instruction, military services, or employment.

Abbreviations for Missing Data

N/A Not Applicable N/AV Not Available N/C Not Collected N/R Not Reported I/S Insufficient Sample

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Median Career Center
Students (n= 531)			
With disabilities other than speech	9.0%	Up from 0.7%	1.8%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	9.2%	Down from 11.7%	18.6%
Enrollment in career/technology center courses	531	Down from 682	643
Students participating in worked-based experiences	0.0%	Down from 35.6%	32.2%

Teachers (n= 21)			
Teachers with advanced degrees	19.0%	Up from 17.6%	25.6%
Continuing contract teachers	28.6%	Down from 41.2%	73.5%
Highly qualified teachers	33.3%	N/A	66.7%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	35.3%	Up from 25.0%	15.1%
Teachers returning from previous year	81.0%	Down from 81.9%	88.9%
Teacher attendance rate	96.1%	Up from 93.6%	95.6%
Average teacher salary	\$42,157	Up 1.3%	\$43,493
Prof. development days/teacher	10.1 days	Down from 15.1 days	13.6 days

School			
Director's years at Center	1.0	Down from 5.0	3.0
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$2,694	Down 15.5%	\$3,353
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	43.9%	Up from 41.4%	52.3%
Parents attending conferences	60.3%	Up from 33.0%	83.8%
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes

* Prior year audited financial data are reported.

	Our District	State
Highly qualified teachers in low poverty schools	N/A	89.4%
Highly qualified teachers in high poverty schools	N/A	90.1%

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REPORT OF DIRECTOR AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The Sumter County Career Center proudly serves students from two school districts in Sumter County (Sumter Two and 17), providing career and technical training that prepares them for success in their chosen career fields.

The multi-district center began service to students in 1973. A board of trustees governs the center. This Board is comprised of two representatives of each district's board of trustees, three business and industry persons appointed by the area Legislative Delegation, and four ex-officio members: the president of the local technical college, one representative from county council, and the two district superintendents. The center currently serves three high schools with approximately 500 students in attendance (enrolled). The center employs 26 full-time employees, including teachers, administrative, clerical, and custodial staff.

The career center's student population is relatively consistent with the feeder schools' populations in terms of racial makeup, free-lunch recipients, and other demographics. Sumter County offers numerous opportunities for students to pursue higher education with the Sumter campuses of USC, Morris College, and Central Carolina Technical College. The center consistently places an impressive number of completer/graduates in the workforce as required by state mandates.

During the 2004-2005 school year, the Sumter County Career Center was awarded the Palmetto Gold Award and was also awarded continuing accreditation with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

Mr. Jim Kepner, Chair of School Improvement Council
John Roveri, Director of Sumter County Career Center

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS, STUDENTS, AND PARENTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	15	116	27
Percent satisfied with learning environment	93.3%	75.0%	73.1%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	86.7%	72.4%	57.7%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	93.3%	71.6%	50.0%

*Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included.